IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

ROY et al.

Title:

MEDICAL USAGE CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY FOR THE

TRANSFER OF FLUID

Appl. No.:

10/507,057

Appl. Filing Date:

September 7, 2004

Examiner:

Christopher Koharski

Art Unit:

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Number:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

Enclosed are:

[X] Amendment and Reply Under 37 CFR 1.116 (12 pages).

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate	·-·	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$810.00	==	\$810.00
Total Claims:	35	-	30	= 5	5	x	\$50.00	=	\$250.00
Independents	3	-	3	= ()	x	\$210.00		\$0.00
First p	resentation of	fany	Multiple D	Pepen	dent Claims:	+	\$370.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	<u>-</u>	\$1060.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00 0	\$0.00	
[X]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$460.00	\$460.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,640.00	\$0.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,230.00	\$0.00	
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			
	EXTENSION FE	EE TOTAL -	\$460.00	
	\$1520.00			
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	\$760.00		
[]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)	\$0.00	
	TO	TAL FEE:	\$760.00	

The above-identified fees of \$760.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to

Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Date May 16200

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